

REMARKS

In the outstanding Office action, the Examiner has issued a restriction requirement regarding the following groups of inventions:

- Group I: Claims 1-31, drawn to a method, classified in class 438, subclass 692;
Group II: Claims 32-65, drawn to a composition, classified in class 252, subclass 79.1.

Applicant hereby elects Group I invention, namely, claims 1-31, for further examination and prosecution, without traverse.

Applicant believes that no extension of time is necessary to make this Response timely. Should Applicant be in error, Applicant respectfully requests that the Office grant such time extension pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) as necessary to make this Response timely, and hereby authorizes the Office to charge any necessary fee or surcharge with respect to said time extension to the deposit account of the undersigned firm of attorneys, Deposit Account 03-3325.

The undersigned attorney is granted limited recognition by the Office of Discipline and Enrollment of the USPTO to practice before the USPTO in capacity as an employee of Corning Incorporated. A copy of the document granting such limited recognition either has been previously submitted or is being submitted herewith for the record.

Please direct any questions or comments to the undersigned at (607) 248-1253.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that this paper (along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on the date indicated above with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.


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